

REMARKS

Claims 4, 12 and 21 have been amended to correct grammatical or typographical errors. The preamble of Claim 21 recites the term "process" and depends from Claim 4, directed to a product. The preamble of Claim 21 should therefore recite the term "product" rather than "process".

Applicants respectfully submit that amended Claims 4, 12 and 21 are "in better form for consideration on appeal" and do not raise any new issues requiring further search or examination. Entry of this amendment is therefore requested.

Applicants respectfully submit that the application is now in condition for allowance, and that all of the rejections should be REVERSED for the reasons stated in the Appeal Brief filed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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